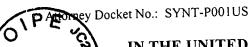
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| Invention Methods for Efficient Production of Mammalian Recombinant Proteins   |   |                         |   |  |   |                        |             |  |
| TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:  Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.  Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27 by a verified statement previously submitted.  A verified statement to establish Small Entity status under 37 CFR 1.27 is enclosed.  |   |                         |   |  |   |                        |             |  |
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| <ul> <li>No additional fee is required for amendment.</li> <li>□ Please charge Deposit Account No. in the amount of</li> <li>□ A check in the amount of to cover the filing fee is enclosed.</li> <li>☑ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50/0987</li> <li>☑ Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.</li> <li>☑ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.</li> </ul> |   |                         |   |  |   |                        |             |  |
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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This is a reply to an Office Action mailed March 31, 2004 setting a three month statutory period for response. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider the rejection of claims 1-26 in view of the following amendments thereto, and the comments as set forth below.